

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 643 - HB 940

February 19, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a court, in its discretion or upon agreement of the parties, to issue a restraining order in lieu of an order of protection without either party filing a separate action if the parties have both had the opportunity to be heard by the court.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Currently if a party to an action for order of protection decided to seek a restraining order instead of an order of protection, the party would have to file a separate action. The proposed legislation would allow a restraining order to be issued in lieu of an order of protection.
- It is assumed that the fees and costs paid will be imposed under Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-3-617 since the proposed legislation authorizes the action under title 36, chapter 3, part 6. Therefore, it is assumed that the proposed legislation will not significantly impact court operations or local court clerk revenue.
- The Administrative Office of the Courts confirms that the proposed legislation will not significantly impact court operations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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